

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. **(Currently Amended)** A fixing device employing an induction heating coil system, comprising:

a heating roller having an induction heating coil disposed therein;

a pressing roller for pressing said heating roller; and

a covering member having a heat accumulating member, capable of holding heat, effectively secured thereto, wherein said covering member is disposed ~~so as to surround said heating roller starting on an end of an effective heat generating area~~ on both ends of said heating roller.

2. **(Previously Presented)** The fixing device according to Claim 1, wherein the circumferences except the inner circumferential surface of said heat accumulating member are covered by said covering member made of a heat insulating material.

3. **(Previously Presented)** The fixing device according to Claim 1, wherein said covering member is a circular pipe-like body having an opening.

4. **(Currently Amended)** A fixing device employing an induction heating coil system, comprising:

a heating roller having an induction heating coil disposed therein;

a pressing roller for pressing said heating roller; and

a covering member having a heat generating member secured thereto, wherein said covering member is disposed ~~so as to surround said heating roller starting on an end of an effective heat generating area~~ on both ends of said heating roller.

5.       **(Previously Presented)** The fixing device according to Claim 4, wherein the circumferences except the inner circumferential surface of said heat generating member are covered by said covering member made of a heat insulating material.

6.       **(Previously Presented)** The fixing device according to Claim 4, wherein said covering member is a circular pipe-like body having an opening.

7.       **(Previously Presented)** The fixing device according to Claim 2, wherein said covering member is a circular pipe-like body having an opening.

8.       **(Previously Presented)** The fixing device according to Claim 5, wherein said covering member is a circular pipe-like body having an opening.